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A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS

ALA HEADQUARTERS WILL REMAIN IN CHICAGO, David Clift, Executive Director has announced. The membership of the American Library Association voted 9,781 for remaining in Chicago as against 6,997 for moving the headquarters to Washington, D.C.

EARL NIGHTINGALE recently reported the following item on his program: "Size of school classes, conditions of school buildings and location of schools in slums or suburbs have little to do with achievement by students--contrary to widespread opinion. Instead, the top four criteria for academic or vocational success are, in this order: 1. teacher salaries; 2. teacher experience; 3. number of books in school libraries and 4. per-pupil expenditures by the schools.

MISS MARGARET C. HANNIGAN has been named director of Specialized State Library Services in the Office of Education. Miss Hannigan will be in charge of Title IV of the Library Services and Construction Act, which includes state institutional library services and library services to the physically handicapped. Miss Hannigan, who has been senior library supervisor with the New York State Education Department, will start her new duties December 11th.

THE NEW CHAIRMAN of the Montana State Library Commission is Mrs. A. O. Pemberton, Broadus. Mrs. Pemberton was elected at the December meeting of the Commission and Mr. Mike Traynor, Scobey, was elected Vice-Chairman.

LIBRARIANSHIP ... CAREER OF VARIETY -- GET THE FACTS HERE NOW is the headline on two illustrated table display exhibits to aid in recruiting for professional librarianship. These are available from the American Library Association, Office for Recruitment, 50 East Huron St., Chicago at the following prices: 4" x 7-3/4" - $1.00 each; 7" x 13-1/2" - $1.75 each.

THE VOLUNTEER LIBRARY LEAGUE of San Juan, Puerto Rico has written to Governor Babcock requesting the gift of books and library materials. Gifts may be sent to: Volunteer Library League, Avenida Franklin D. Roosevelt 238, Hato Rey, Puerto Rico 00918.

MR. CHARLES GALLOZZI, Assistant Chief, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress, visited Helena early in November to assist the State Library in becoming a regional library for the blind and physically handicapped. Mr. Gallozzi explained the program to the staff and all of the groundwork has been done for the State Library to take over this program as of January 1, 1968.

THE KNAPP FOUNDATION OF NORTH CAROLINA, INC. has awarded a grant of $1,163,718 to the American Library Association for a school library manpower project which is designed to help provide sufficient and well qualified personnel to insure quality library service in every school and for every American child. The project, which will be administered by the American Association of School Librarians, is expected to last five years and will attack three aspects of the problem of developing fully and utilizing properly school library manpower--task and job analysis, education for school librarianship and recruitment from specific manpower pools.

A DEPOSITORY LIBRARY SYSTEM will be in effect the first of the year. The State Library has become a state publications library distribution center and has signed contracts with seven Montana libraries which will be depositories. The State Library will be responsible for collecting publications from the state agencies and in turn furnishing these to the depository libraries.

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NOW HEAR THIS! Mr. Sam Gilluly, Director of the Historical Society, is offering back numbers of Montana the magazine of Western History to libraries at no cost except postage plus a nominal charge for handling. Surplus copies available are: Autumn 1956, Spring 1957, Autumn 1957, Spring 1959, Summer 1959, Summer 1962, Winter 1963, Summer 1965, Autumn 1965, Winter 1966, Summer 1966. Also available are copies of the initial ten-year index through 1960 plus annual indexes for most years. Librarians may order directly from the Historical Society.

A NEW LOCATION for the Garfield County Library has been announced. During the Christmas vacation, the library was moved to the old elementary school building north of the present elementary and high school buildings.

A VOTE OF THANKS goes to Mrs. Lillian Flanagan who completed many years of dedicated service to the community in December as librarian of the Ronan City Library.

THE COUNCIL OF THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION urges all libraries to observe 1968 as International Year for Human Rights in accordance with the resolution passed at the 1967 Annual Conference. The resolution proposed that libraries carry out the year-long observance by making materials available, by establishing and carrying on programs, including displays appropriate to their users and calling on groups within the Association to consider the observance of International Year for Human Rights for their programs in 1968.

MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY Director of Libraries, Miss Lesley Heathcote, announces the appointment of Mr. John Lee McDill to their staff as cataloger. Mr. McDill, a native of Vermont, with degrees from Stanford and Columbia and experience at Harvard and Dartmouth, will supervise the change from Dewey to L.C. for the current collection.

A CURRENT SURVEY AMONG LIBRARIANS is being conducted by the Children's Service Division of the American Library Association to determine their interest in a nationally-available stockpile of broadcast materials relating to children's books. The possible result of the survey will be the preparation of a national inventory of low cost (or no cost) broadcast tapes prepared in one community and available for use in other communities. Librarians who have not received the survey form and would like to receive one should write before March 1, 1968 to: Mrs. Ellin Greene, 113 Chatham Lane, Point Pleasant, New Jersey 08742.

RECENT ADDITIONS TO THE STAFF at the State Library are: Mr. Frank Lowrance and Mr. James Flick. Mr. Lowrance, who was formerly Field Engineer for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, is Coordinator of Grant Programs and supervises all the construction projects under Title II of the Library Services and Construction Act. Mr. Flick, Special Services Librarian, is in charge of both professional and patients library services at Warm Springs State Hospital, Galen State Hospital and Montana State Prison. Previous to joining the State Library Staff, Mr. Flick was Staff Librarian at Warm Springs State Hospital.

THE SOUTHLAND will play host to American Library Association members at the Mid-Winter Conference January 8-13, 1968 in Bal Harbour, Florida. Among those attending from Montana are: Mrs. Ruth O. Longworth, State Librarian, Mrs. Alma Jacobs, Librarian, Great Falls Public Library, Mrs. R. D. Warden, Chairman of the Legislation Liaison Committee of the American Library Association, Mrs. A. O. Pemberton, Chairman of the National Library Week Committee of the American Library Association and Mrs. Letitia Johnson, Director of Region VII for the American Association of School Librarians.

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DONATIONS OF GIFT BOOKS for the State Institutions may be sent to the State Library. The State Library is furnishing service and placing organized collections in some of the institutions and the selecting and processing is being done here. It will be very helpful and much appreciated if donors will carefully weed any gift books before they are sent.

ATTENTION LIBRARIANS: A new biennial edition of the Handy Key to Your "National Geographics" has been published. This current 8th edition covers all years of National Geographics from January 1915 through December 1967 and may be ordered from C.S. Underhill, Box 95, East Aurora, New York 14052.

WANTED - COLORED SLIDES OR OLD PHOTOS of Montana historic places. Mr. Hal Stearns, Secretary of the Montana Historical Society Board of Trustees would like to make duplicates and will return the originals to the owner. Mr. Sterns plans to use the slides with talks on the history of Montana to schools and service clubs.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE STAFF at the University of Montana Library announced by Dean Earle Thompson are: Devon Chandler, Director - Instructional Materials Service; John Hendrickson, Campus Service Coordinator; Timothy A. Brown, Reference Librarian; Johanna Billingsley, Assistant Reference Librarian; William Willmering, Assistant Reference Librarian; R. Patrick Mallory, Acquisitions Librarian; Mary Y. Moore, Assistant Catalog Librarian and Dennis L. Richards, Documents Librarian.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE has established a project to locate and record correspondence (both communications from and to) as well as other manuscript writing of Daniel Webster. If any such material exists Dartmouth would apply for permission to secure microcopies and to include, with acknowledgment, Webster papers in the publishing program that is planned. Any information concerning such material can be directed to: Mrs. Carol S. Moffatt for the Webster Papers Project, Baker Memorial Library, Hanover, New Hampshire.

THE RECENTLY DEDICATED LIBRARY AT WOLF POINT has acquired a new librarian. Mrs. Kathleen Vereker comes to Wolf Point from California where she was employed for eight years by the Marin County Free Library System in Marin County, California. She received her education at St. Ann's Academy, Vancouver, British Columbia.

ANOTHER NEW LIBRARIAN has taken charge of the Blaine County Library in Chinook. Mrs. Leona Jensen has replaced Mrs. Catherine O'Brien who resigned after many years of service.

MONTANIANA: Custer battlefield by Edward S. and Evelyn S. Luce. National Park Service Historical Handbook Series No. 1. 20¢. An account of the battle and a guide to the Custer Battlefield National Monument. The Yukon by Marion T. Place. Ives Washburn, Inc. $4.50. A juvenile history of the Yukon river and surrounding areas by a former resident of Montana. Flame on the frontier by Dorothy M. Johnson. Dodd Mead and Co. $3.50. A juvenile of seven stories about heroic women of of the early days of the west. Buffalo prairies and buffalo men by Tom Fontaine. Exposition Press Inc. $5.00. The author, who lives in Cut Bank, has written a novel about the Blackfeet and Cree Indians. Seed in the soil. Mountain Press, Missoula. $5.00. A collection of poems by poets of the Montana Institute of the Arts. Meagher of the sword by Christian D. Stevens. Dodd Mead and Co. $4.00. The author, who teaches English at the College of Great Falls, was awarded the Edith Busby Award for this juvenile fictional biography of General Meagher.

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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

IN MONTANA

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NEWBERY AND CALDECOTT WINNERS were announced on February 26th. Mrs. E. L. Konigsberg won the Newbery award for From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler and Ed Emberley has been awarded the Caldecott medal for illustrating Drummer Hoff. Presentation of the medals will take place at the Newbery-Caldecott dinner June 25, 1968 at the American Library Association conference in Kansas City, Missouri.

MICROFILMS OF VOLUMES 1 - 20 of Montana Libraries are now available. Copies may be purchased from Xerox University Microfilms, 300 N. Zeeb Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION - MARCH OF DIMES is planning to place in all libraries in Montana informative literature concerning birth defects. Folders will be distributed to the libraries by local March of Dimes Volunteers in the near future.

ANDREW FISHER, LIBRARY SPECIALIST FOR REGION VIII, Office of Education, Denver, visited the State Library in February. Here to attend the regional task force meeting of federal officials, Mr. Fisher conferred with State Librarian, Mrs. Ruth Longworth, on federal legislation pertaining to libraries. He toured the Great Falls Public Library before returning to Denver.

THREE WINNERS OF THE NEWLY ESTABLISHED Distinguished Library Service Award for School Administrators have been announced. The recipients, who have made unique and sustained contributions toward furthering the role of the library in elementary and secondary education, are: Dr. M. G. Bowden, Professor of Education, Trinity University, San Antonio and former Principal of Casis and Dill Schools, Austin, Texas; Dr. Wesley Gibbs, Superintendent of Skokie School District 68, Skokie, Illinois and Dr. James A. Sensenbaugh, Superintendent, Maryland State Department of Education, Baltimore, Maryland.

"HAPPENINGS" is the title of a booklist prepared for National Library Week by the Young Adults Services Division of the American Library Association. Subjects that are so important to the young adults today are represented in the titles and the booklists can be purchased from the Young Adults Services Division of the American Library Association, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

MONTANIANA: Know your state by the League of Women Voters of Montana. 20¢. A survey of Montana state government. This pamphlet can be purchased from: The League of Women Voters, 10 West Garfield, Bozeman, Montana. Sacajawea; the girl nobody knows by Neta L. Frazier. David McKay Co., Inc. $3.95. A juvenile biography of Sacajawea. Cow country cook book by Dan Cushman. Stay Away, Joe Publishers, P.O. Box 2054, Great Falls. $4.50. A book of pioneer Western recipes. Devil man with a gun by Art H. Watson. Meagher County News, White Sulphur Springs. $5.00. The author relates the lives of a pioneer family in and around Diamond City before the turn of the century. Marcus and Narcissa Whitman by Marian T. Place. Garrard Publishing Company. $2.19. This juvenile, by a former Montanan, is the story of the Whitmans who were missionaries in early Oregon. Echoing Footsteps. Ashton Printing and Engraving Company, Butte. $15.70. This is a history of Powder River County which has been written by committees and individuals of the county. To the Pacific with Lewis and Clark by Ralph K. Andrist. American Heritage Junior Library Harper and Row. $4.79. A juvenile recounting the Lewis and Clark expedition.

REMEMBER THE DAYS - MAY 3RD AND 4TH - MONTANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEETING IN GREAT FALLS

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AUTOMATE? FIRST LET'S COMMUNICATE -- A telephone in every library is one of Montana's goals for National Library Week this year. Now is the time to install a telephone in the local public or school library and participate in the advantages of interlibrary cooperation. Please notify the State Library of your new telephone number so it can be listed in the next Library Directory.

EXCITING NEWS FROM THE STATE LIBRARY is that David Hoffman will be joining the staff on July 1st, 1968 as Coordinator of Library Development. He is presently Assistant Director, International Relations Office, American Library Association and previous to that was the Administrative Assistant, Wisconsin Free Library Commission, Madison. You will all have a chance to meet David at the Montana Library Association meeting in Great Falls where he will be taking part in the Library Development program on Friday and the Trustee and Friends Division meeting on Saturday.

ADDENDUM -- Mr. Sam Gilluly, Director of the Historical Society, reports that he has filled about 50 requests for back numbers of Montana the magazine of Western history as a result of the item in the January Newsletter. Some issues are still available and can be ordered from the Historical Society.

STUDENT LIBRARIANS held their annual convention in Bozeman on March 29th and 30th. Mrs. Letitia Johnson, Librarian, Sentinal High School, gave the keynote address on Friday night and Ray Campeau spoke at the Saturday meeting on The Harmony of Works of Art and Literature. The new officers elected at the meeting are: Barbara Bourdet, Holy Rosary High School, Bozeman, President; Marleene Keffeler, Missoula County High School, Vice President; Connie Goodrich, Brady High School, Secretary; Barbara Loden, St. Leo's High School, Lewistown, Treasurer; Melen Bruck, Cascade High School, Historian.

THE VACATION READING PROGRAM of the Children's Book Council is using the slogan, "Vacation readers go everywhere" to encourage summer reading. The Council has imaginative display and promotional material available which can be ordered from: Vacation Reading, Children's Book Council, 175 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York 10010.

MONTANIANA: Witch princess by Dorothy Johnson. Houghton Mifflin Co. $3.25. The well-known Montana author relates the story of Media as told by a peasant girl who is a handmaiden to the princess. This is a juvenile. Will James the gilt edged cowboy by Anthony Amaral. Westernlore Press. $7.50. The cowboy artist and writer, who was born in Montana, is the subject of this biography. The burning glass by Annabel and Edgar Johnson. Harper and Row. $3.79. This juvenile is the tale of a boy who joins a French fur-trader headed west for the Green River Rendezvous. Saddle a thunderbolt by Jo Sykes. Funk and Wagnalls. $3.50. The author, who lives in Livingston, has written a juvenile concerning a teen-age boy's capture of a wild stallion. The boy who came back by Dale White. Criterion Books. $3.95. A juvenile historical account of General Custer's Indian fighting as seen through the eyes of Gabe, 14, the only fictitious character in the book. Sam by Barbara Corcoran. Atheneum. $4.08. Montana is the locale of this juvenile.

NATIONAL RADIO MONTH - MAY, 1968. The American Library Association urges the cooperation of libraries in observing this occasion.

GO! GO! GO! -- TO

MONTANA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEETING - MAY 3rd and 4th - GREAT FALLS

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MEETING - JUNE 23rd - 29th - KANSAS CITY

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A DISTINGUISHED DEAN, Robert E. Sullivan of the University of Montana Law School, will serve as chairman for the National Library Week State Committee for 1969. We are most fortunate to have this long time friend of libraries spearheading plans for celebrating this important week of the coming year.

MOUSE AND THE MOTORCYCLE by Beverly Cleary will receive the Young Reader's Choice Award for 1968 during the Pacific Northwest Library Association Conference on August 14-16 at Vancouver, B.C. The award is the result of balloting in which children from Montana, Idaho, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia have participated.

A 37 YEAR LONG LABOR OF LOVE ends officially for Lucile Speer on June 30th when she retires as documents librarian for the University of Montana in Missoula. Miss Speer's association with the University spans 37 years, half the life time of the University. Since coming to the school in 1930, she has witnessed the extensive growth of the documents section of the library. It was largely through Lucile's efforts as Chairman of the Montana State Publications Committee that the law making the State Library the distribution center for state documents was enacted. Miss Speer is on out-of-residence leave from the University until her official retirement and is compiling the first comprehensive bibliography of state documents from the years 1958-67. She said it is to be published by the U. of M. Bureau of Government Research.

TEN LITTLE DIGITS put local libraries in direct contact with the Montana State Library for quick service. Use of the W.A.T.S. (wide area telephone service) line along with the State Telecommunications system has facilitated communications and speeded up the transfer of books and information. One distinct advantage of telephonic, inter-library communication has been the overcoming of the human element of error when seeking exact information. The vast geographical expanse of Montana is covered several times per day in this manner by wire, aiding both the local and State Library in building a greater esprit de corps among all members of our profession in the state.

TRUSTEES ARE REMINDED of an opportunity to learn how to improve our libraries through attending the workshops entitled "A Time for Great Things." Also librarians, county commissioners, school board members, friends of Montana libraries and the Montana Library Association Legislative Committee are invited to attend the June meetings with all expenses paid. Workshops are scheduled for the following cities, locations and dates with registration beginning at 8 a.m.: Missoula, Student Union, University of Montana, June 8th; Great Falls, Public Library, June 11th; Glasgow, Elks' Club, June 13th; and Billings, Northern Hotel, June 15th.

ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Mrs. Phoebe Apperson Hearst Memorial Association was Natalie Sliepcevich, librarian at the Hearst Free Library of Anaconda. Miss Sliepcevich, who was granted the honor at the annual meeting of the Association near St. Clair, Missouri, is a life member of the organization.

MONTANA PARADE section of the Great Falls Tribune dating back to 1939 is available at the Fairfield Public Library. Mrs. Margaret Hedblom, Librarian, is donating these and anyone interested should write to her.

QUEST FOR EXCELLENCE by Herbert Hollander was presented to the State Library at the National Federation of Federal Employees' convention in Helena on May 4th. Mrs. Darlene Tiensvold, State Library staff member, accepted the gift from Tom Carter, State President of the group. The book is a 50 year history of the organization.

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MONTANA LIBRARIES AND LOCAL HISTORY will be the subject of four workshops to be held in Missoula, Great Falls, Wolf Point and Billings on October 5th, 7th, 9th and 11th. David Hoffman, Coordinator of Library Development at the State Library will direct the workshops and Rita McDonald, formerly librarian at the Historical Society and now Engineering Librarian at Oregon State University, will discuss the role of the public library in collecting local history. Other speakers participating in the programs include Dale Johnson, University Archivist, University of Montana; Mary Dempsey, Librarian at the Historical Society; Minnie Paugh, Special Collections Librarian, Montana State University; Marie MacDonald, Librarian, Glendive Public Library and local history teachers and lay library users in the regions where the meetings are held.

WHITEFISH AUTHOR, Alice S. Jackman Hutchens, autographed copies of her recently published book at an autographing party given by the Whitefish Library Association on September 24th. Mrs. Hutchens's book, A Gift of Little Things, is a reminiscence of the Star Meadow area southwest of Whitefish.

A FORMER PEACE CORPS STAFF EVALUATOR and resident of Missoula, Meridan Bennett, is the co-author of Agents of Change. With fellow Peace Corps staff member, David Hapgood, Med Bennett has written what the Virginia Kirkus Service calls a "clearheaded analysis" of the Peace Corps and a readable book. Mr. Bennett was at one time a member of the Montana State Library staff.

MARIE MACDONALD, Librarian of the Glendive Public Library, has been appointed reading and library consultant for the Montana Congress of Parents-Teachers by Mrs. A. E. Lenhardt, president of the state PTA.

A NEW MEMBER OF THE STATE LIBRARY STAFF, James Moody, is serving as Librarian at the Montana State Prison. Mr. Moody began his duties September 1st, and library service at the prison has already been greatly improved and expanded.

TOBACCO VALLEY WRITERS GROUP, a branch of the Montana Institute of the Arts, is publishing a pamphlet of orginal writing by residents of Lincoln County. Entitled Best Sellers, the pamphlet is for sale at 20¢ an issue to all writers and readers of the Libby, Troy and Eureka areas each month.

DON GIBSON, VICE CHAIRMAN of the Trustees and Friends Division of the Montana Library Association has become Chairman as a result of Dale Madson's resignation. Mr. Madson served for a year and a half as Chairman. Trustees and friends will be hearing soon from Mr. Gibson, who is also Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Glendive Public Library.

AVAILABLE: Issues of Montana Magazine of History for the complete years of 1953 through 1962 and the April issue of 1952 at the Livingston Public Library. Issues of Mentor Magazine and Boston Cooking School Magazine (dates not known) at the Glendive Public Library.

MONTANIANA: Agents of change by David Hapgood and Meridan Bennett. Little, Brown. $5.95. A gift of little things by Alice S. Jackman Hutchens. Caxton Publishers. $4.00. The Rockies by David Lavender. Harper & Row. $8.95. A history of the mountain range, focusing attention on the period that began in 1859, following the first gold strikes.

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THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION in cooperation with the State Library is sponsoring a series of workshops for school and public librarians. These will be held December 5th at Eastern Montana College in Billings, December 6th in Glasgow, December 7th in Great Falls and December 9th at the Lodge, University of Montana, Missoula. Miss Peggy Sullivan, former Director of the Knapp School Libraries project who conducted the spring school libraries workshops, will be back again to serve as Consultant. Miss Sullivan will be reporting on the latest trends in school libraries across the country and panel discussions on cooperation between libraries will be moderated by David Hoffman, Director of the workshops. Additional information about the workshops will be mailed in mid-November.

STAFF CHANGES AT MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY which have been announced by Lesley Heathcote, Director of Libraries: Mrs. Lucille Thompson has been promoted to head reference librarian, succeeding Alice McClain who will assume more administrative duties; David Pibel joined the reference department September 1st; Richard Luce and Arthur Carey will join the reference staff January 6, 1969 replacing John Roland and Tsai Hsu.

NEW LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION is planned in the North, South and West of the State. Valier is building a $50,000 one story building which has been designed by Page and Werner, Architects, Great Falls. The library is scheduled for completion in the spring. The Sheridan Public Library is constructing a new addition to an existing city building which will house the library. In Kalispell the old post office building is being completely remodeled and will provide quarters for the Flathead County Library.

A FREE SUBSCRIPTION to The Montana Citizen, the State Chamber of Commerce publication, is available to any library in the State. Just write to the above office, Box 1730, Helena and request that your library be added to their mailing list.

A RECENT MEETING of librarians from the major public libraries and college libraries with the Recordak-Miracode Company was held at the State Library. The purpose was to discuss the possibility of a Union catalog. The group also discussed the need for a Union list of serials and this project is presently under consideration.

THE MONTANA LIBRARY ADVISORY COUNCIL held its third meeting on October 28th at the State Library. Chairman, William Bertsche presided and progress reports on interlibrary cooperation, service to the state institutions and service to the physically handicapped were presented by the State Library staff.

MONTANIANA: Prairie Wind by Sharon Wagner. Meredith Press. $3.95. This juvenile is the story of the taming of a wild mustang on a Montana ranch by a teen-aged girl. The return of the vanishing American by Leslie Fiedler. Stein and Day Publishers. $5.95. Critic Fiedler examines the Western novel from its classic form to the pop Western. The Prairie schooners by Glen Rounds. Holiday House, Inc. $3.75 A juvenile recounting what it was like to make the trip West in a covered wagon. More than 50 drawings are included. The story of Ajax by Alva J. Noyes. Buffalo-Head Press. This is a reprint of a book first published in 1914 which has long been out of print. It is an autobiographical account of life in the Big Hole Basin in the 60's and 70's. Ethnomusicology of the Flathead Indians by Alan P. Merriam. $8.95. Aldine Publishing Co. A survey of the relationship between the tribe and its musical expression. Ghost towns of the American West by Robert Silverberg. Illustrated by Larence Bjorklund. Thomas Y. Crowell Co. $4.50. A chapter of this book is devoted to Montana's early mining towns.

CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK - NOVEMBER 17-23, 1968